

120 coin dealers are headed here for foreign money show

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At least 120 coin dealers from a dozen countries will converge on Chicago this week for the city's largest annual show devoted to foreign money.

The dealers will sell coins and paper money from tables in the Regency Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Chicago, 151 E. Wacker Drive. Keepsakes on sale will range in value from \$1 to \$10,000 or more.

Show organizers also plan to:

- Conduct a program for persons ages 17 and under at 10 a.m. Saturday, with free coins and educational materials to be distributed;

- Assist several hobby organizations that will meet in

the hotel in conjunction with the show, such as the International Bank Note Society at 9 a.m. Saturday and the Chicago Coin Club at 1 p.m. Saturday;

- Promote an auction of 2,400 foreign rarities, with sessions beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Saturday.

Again this year, collectors will have to pay \$3 (or \$1 for persons 12 and younger) to be able to spend money at the fair's coin bourse. The sponsors charged an admission fee for the first time last year because of increased costs of conducting the show in a downtown hotel. Still, nearly 1,650 persons registered for the CICF in 1991.

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 22.